commissioning of power projects like Mejia TPS Maithon Right Bank TPS, Karanpura STPS, the overall power Karan pura STPS, the overall power position in the Eastern region would improve significantly. As short-term measures, the coal companies in Bihar i.e. BCCL and CCL were allowed to create limited capacity for captive power generation by installation of DG/GT sets and smaller coal based captive power plants of 2 × 10 MW each which are in advance stage of construction.

Target for rural electrification in Rajasthan and Orissa during Seventh and Eighth Plan Periods

2099. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what were the targets of rural electrification in Rajasthan and Orissa during the Seventh Five Year Plan period and how many villages were provided with electricity during the said period in each State; and

(b) what are the targets in this behalf for 1990-91 and how many villages are likely to be covered under this programme of electrification during the Eighth Five Year Plan in each State?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) During the Seventh Five Year Plan period, targets and achievements for rural electrification in Rajasthan and Orissa, as per available information, are as under:—

	Target	Achievement	
Rajasthan	4827	6402	Tentative
Orissa	6353	6209	Tentative

(b) The target for rural electrification during 1990-91 in the States of Rajasthan and Orissa are as under:—

State	Target
Rajasthan	700
Orissa	785

All the remaining unelectrified villages in the States of Rajasthan and Orissa are likely to be electrified in the Eighth Five Year Plan subject to the availability of necessary funds and other inputs.

Rate of industrial growth in Rajasthan

2100. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the rate of industrial growth in Rajasthan during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) whether any industry was set up in the industrially backward districts of Rajasthan during the said period;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof, district-wise; and

(d) what is the likely industrial growth in Rajasthan during the Eighth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) The average rates of growth in the different sectors of mining, manufacturing and electricity in the Seventh Five Year Plan period based on Index of Industrial Production for the State of Rajasthan are as follows:

	Average Rate of Growth in the Seventh Plan period
Mining	5.40
Manufacturing	11.0
Electricity	2.6

*Based on first four years of Seventh Plan period.

(b) and (c) A statement giving number of Letters of Intent issued and Industrial Licences granted in the industrially backward districts of Rajasthan during this period is enclosed. (*See* below).

(d) The Eighth Five Year Plan has not yet been formulated and as such the targetted rate of industrial growth for the Eighth Five Year Plan is not available.

Statement

Number of Letters of Intent issued and Number of Industrial Licences granted during 1985 – 1989

Sl. No.	District	Letters of Intent	Industrial Licence
1	Jaisalmer	1	..
2	Sirohi	16	2
3	Churu	4	1
4	Barmer	1	..
5	Alwar	67	28
6	Jodhpur	3	3
7	Bhilwara	11	4
8	Nagaur	8	1
9	Udaipur	20	13
10	Banswara	3	1
11	Dungarpur	..	1
12	Jalore	1	..
13	Jhunjhunu	2	..
14	Jhalwar		..
15	Sikar	2	2
16	Tonk	..	..
17	Others	8	..

Fate of the gas based 3 MW power plant at Jaisalmer

2101. SHRI GAJ SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposed gas based 3 MW power plant at Jaisalmer has been abandoned;

(b) whether it is also a fact that 30 kilometres of pipeline procured for piping the gas from the wells of Oil India and ONGC in the neighbourhood, for this plant, has now been shifted to Gujarat; and

(c) if so, what is the justification therefor when more commercially viable gas has been discovered both by Oil India and ONGC after the proposal to set up the gas based power plant was made?